

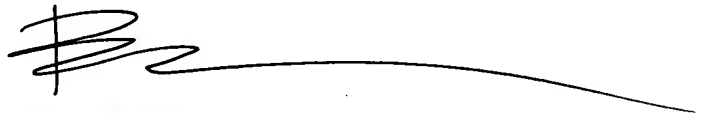
**REMARKS**

Claim 1 has been amended. Claims 2-17 have been deleted, and claims 18-35 have been added. Therefore, claims 1, 18-35 are pending in this application.

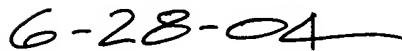
The Applicant respectfully submits no new matter has been added. It is respectfully submitted that these amendments are neither being presented nor made in response to the citation of any prior art known to the Applicant or the Applicant's attorneys. Additionally, these new claims are not made for any reason related to any statutory requirements of patentability. The new claims have been made to place the claims in a form customary to U.S. patent practice and to conform to the personal preferences of the current patent attorney. Therefore no amendments have been made to narrow the scope of the claims or to create any sort of estoppel.

Favorable consideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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